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**Question/Comment**

I am writing to comment on and oppose the recently proposed mandate that would require the use of heat pumps and electrical cooktops in all new SF residential construction. It is obvious to anyone who reads the newspaper that the Seattle-King County area has a chronic shortage of affordable homes. By mandating the use of heat pumps to heat/cool any newly constructed SFR homes will increase the purchase price by an estimated \$8000.00 according to the Master Builders Association. That price increase will impact first-time homebuyers immediately and to their detriment.

Additionally, the decree of only installing electric cooktops is detrimental to those of us who enjoy cooking as a past-time and want the control and range of heat levels that can only be achieved via a gas cooktop.